

MAIN FACS has been providing agencies with one week advance notice of software changes. We were unable to provide this advance notice for the following software changes and apologize for any problems this may cause.

SYSTEM-GENERATED WARRANT CANCELLATION ENTRIES

A datafix will be processed tonight (8/2/96) to correct accounting entries resulting from system generated warrant cancellation entries that were generated multiple times.

Reports were produced and distributed to those agencies affected. Appropriate sign-offs were received from all agencies. We previously indicated that this fix would be done on Wednesday, August 7, 1996. To allow for time to clear transactions which error out before July 96 closes, we are completing this data fix tonight (8/2/96). Please do NOT delete these transactions.

The correcting transactions will be posted with funds control override. Therefore, these correcting transactions should only error out if any coding block profiles have been inactivated. Agencies should re-activate the respective profile and re-release the transaction. The batch date and effective date on the correcting transactions will be 07/01/96 and the batch number will be system generated (not batch number 322 as indicated in the memo given to affected agencies).

Note that the correcting entries do increase cash expenditures or decrease cash revenues impacting budgetary authority and therefore, may affect current processing of accounting transactions. Please monitor the error reports, especially payment processing reports (e.g., DAFR 3502 Payment Extract Error and DAFR 3630 Fund Control Errors During Payment Processing) to ensure that payments are not being held up due to funding problems.

APPROVAL DATE ON TRANSACTIONS AFFECTED BY THE FXX DATA FIX

In Tips and Techniques Volume 2, Issue 22, we discussed the FXX Error Message and a pending data fix to correct the edit mode on these transactions. As a result of the datafix completed, some of these transactions went to history without an approval date.

To correct this data, a datafix is planned for this evening (8/02/96) to add an approval date to these transactions. The approval date will be 1/17/96. We believe that the only time this impacts users is for transactions that post to the document financial table, such as transactions recorded for NSF checks and other receivables. Without an approval date, the document cannot be used as a reference document. When used, agencies received the RSTARS 'EBH' REF DOCUMENT ON HOLD error message.

In addition, users may see an action code on the 37 screen if an approval was required such as a deposit requiring Treasury approval or a JV requiring OFM approval. These action codes will have a user ID of 'SYSTCORR.'